Culvert and Pipe Phasing



Barney Blackburn, PE, CPESC, CPSWQ NCDOT – Roadside Environmental Unit Soil & Water Engineering Section Supervisor

NCDOT Culvert Phasing Process

- Hydraulics Unit:
 - Culvert Survey Report (CSR)
 - Permit Drawings and Impact Summary
- Hydraulics and Roadside Environmental Units:
 - Develop Culvert Construction Sequence
- Roadside Environmental Unit:
 - Include Culvert Construction Sequence in Erosion Control Plans

Components of Culvert Phasings

- Stilling Basin or Silt Bag
- Impervious Dike
- Temporary Pipe
- Temporary Channel Change

Stilling Basin Design

- Volume (ft³) = Width of Stream Channel (ft.) x (Length of Culvert (ft.) + 20 ft. (10 ft. on Each Side)) x Depth of Water in Stream (ft.)
- Freeboard = 6 inches (Minimum)
- Design Permeable Stone Drain to Dewater at a Slow Rate
- Add Volume to Required Volume of Sediment Basins

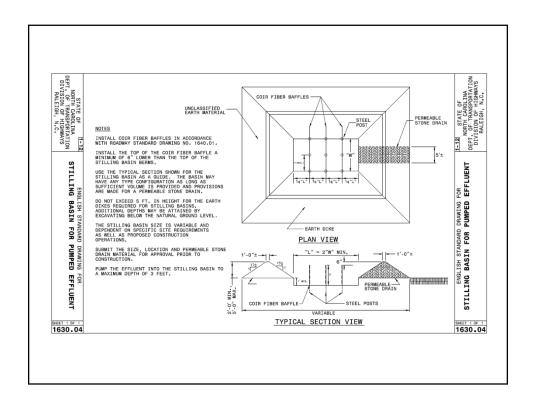
Stilling & Sediment Basin Design

- Example of Stilling Basin as Sediment Basin:
 - Required Volume for Sediment Basin = 1800 ft³
 - Required Volume for Stilling Basin = 1500 ft³
 - Provided Volume of Sediment Basin = 2820 ft³
 - Additional Volume Needed for Sediment Basin =

$$1800 + 1500 - 2820 = 480 \text{ ft}^3$$

Stilling Basin Placement

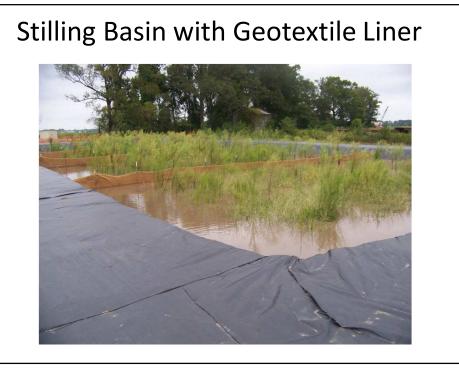
- Inside Perimeter EC Devices
- Level Ground
- Locate to Avoid Pumping Across Stream
- Avoid Placing in Locations of Sediment Basins



Stilling Basin Construction

- Construct Above Ground with Length: Width Ratio of 2:1
- Install 3 Coir Fiber Baffles
- Excavate 1 ft. Below Ground for Permanent Pool
- Stabilize Interior and Exterior Slopes
- Use Small Grade Stone (NCDOT Class A & B, No. 57)

Stilling Basin



Stilling Basin with Flashboard Riser

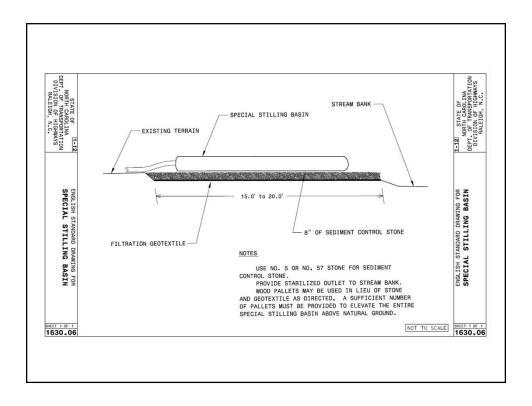


Flashboard Riser



Silt Bag Design & Placement

- Maximum Pumping Rate of 80 gal/min/sf
- Place Inside Perimeter EC Devices
- Place on Level Ground
- Locate to Avoid Pumping Across Stream



Silt Bag Installation

- Install Geotextile (NCDOT Type 2) under Bag
- Place No. 57 Stone or Wood Pallets under Bag
- Always Keep Extra Bag(s) Onsite!
- Flocculants and Polymers will Clog Pores of Bag

Silt Bag



Impervious Dike

- Dike Types:
 - Sand Bags
 - Sheet Piling
 - Stone with Polypropylene
- Used in Stream Channel at Upstream and Downstream of Site
- Used to Anchor Temporary Pipes
- Used to Create Side of Temporary Channel

Sand Bags



Sheet Piles



Stone with Geotextile



Temporary Pipe Design & Construction

- Design to Carry 2-yr Storm
- Common Sizes: 15", 18" and 24"
- Anchor Ends with Impervious Dikes
- Used Primarily for Culvert Extensions

Temporary Pipe



Temporary Channel Design

- Design to Carry 2-yr Storm
- Use Maximum of 2:1 Side Slopes
- Design as Base Ditch
- Don't Design in Areas of Existing Fill Slopes!

Temporary Channel Construction

- Line with Geotextile (NCDOT Type 4)
- Protect Top of Channel with:
 - Berms
 - Silt Fence
 - Impervious Dike

Berm at Top of Temporary Diversion

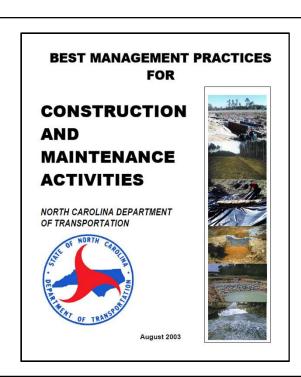


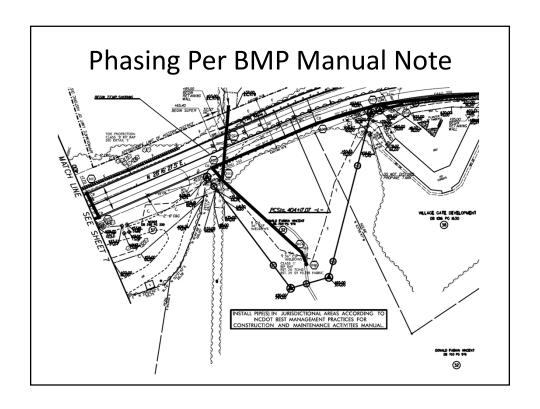
Silt Fence with Temporary Diversion



Types of Culvert Phasings

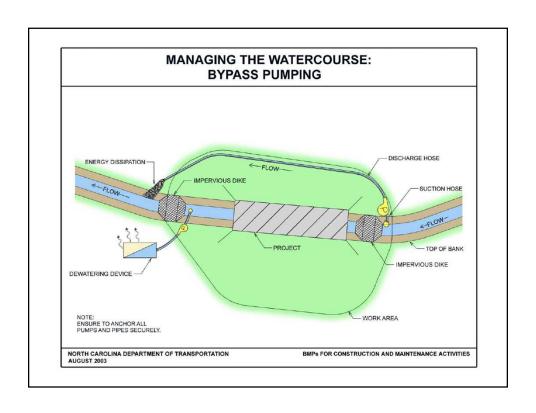
- Pump and Dike
- Dike Only
- Dike and Pipe
- Dike and Temporary Channel

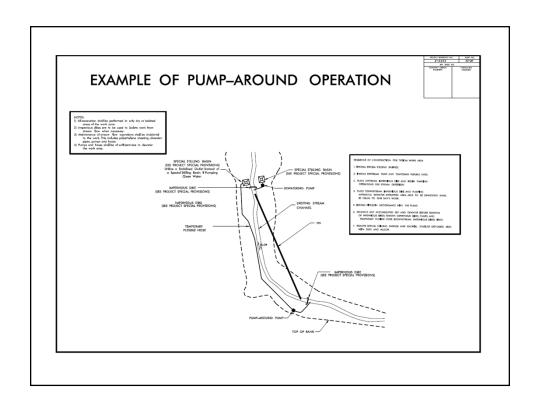




Pump and Dike

- Short Duration Process (Max. 5 days!)
- Use for Pipe Installation
- Include Pump-Around Detail in the Plans
- Reference BMP Manual with Note



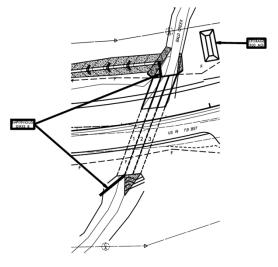


Impervious Dike Phasing

- Short Duration Process
- Use for Pipe Installation/Culvert Extension
- Include Dewatering Details in Phasing
- Do not Block Channel with Dike!

Culvert Extension with Dike 1. CONSTRUCT STELLING. BASIN (100 MS). 2. CONSTRUCT IMPERIOUS DIKES A, DIVERING FLOW THROUGH BARREL 1. 3. REMOVE BUSING HADWALL AND CONSTRUCT EXTENSIONS FOR BARRELS 2 AND 3. 4. CONSTRUCT REMOVED FROMOUSED HEADWALL AND PORTION OF INTETOUTIET CHANNEL IMPROVEMENTS. 5. REMOVE IMPERIOUS DIKES A.

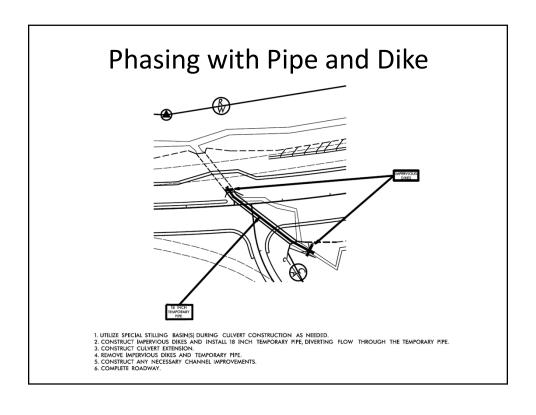
Culvert Extension with Dike

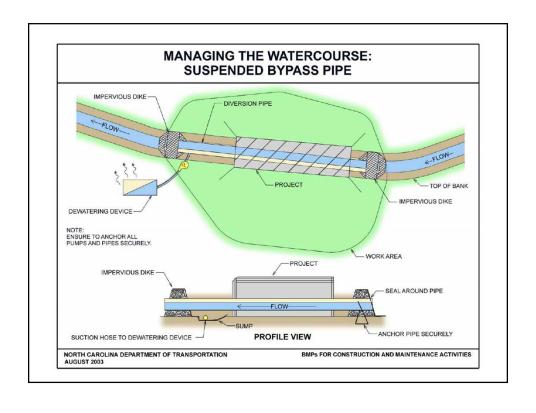


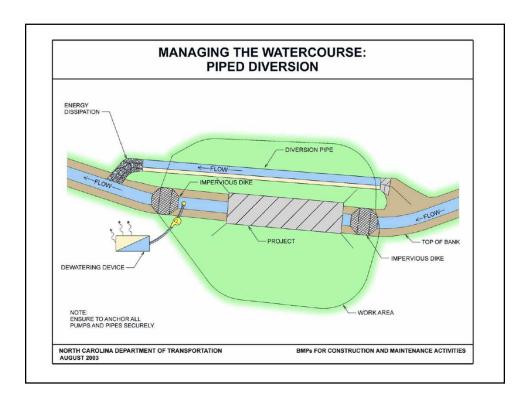
- 6. CONSTRUCT IMPERVIOUS DIKES B, DIVERTING FLOW THROUGH BARRELS 2 AND 3.
- 7. CONSTRUCT EXTENSION FOR BARREL 1, REMAINDER OF PROPOSED HEADWALL, AND REMAINDER OF INLET/OUTLET CHANNEL IMPROVEMENTS
- 8. REMOVE IMPERVIOUS DIKES B AND STILLING BASIN
- 9. COMPLETE ROADWAY

Temporary Pipe Phasing

- Use for Pipe Installation/Culvert Extension
- Can be Utilized for New Culverts
- Include Dewatering Details in Phasing
- Anchor Pipe(s) with Impervious Dike

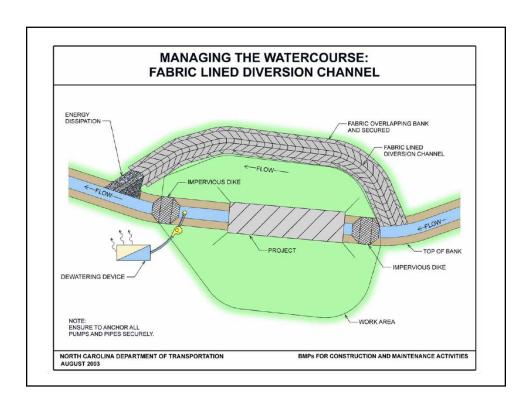


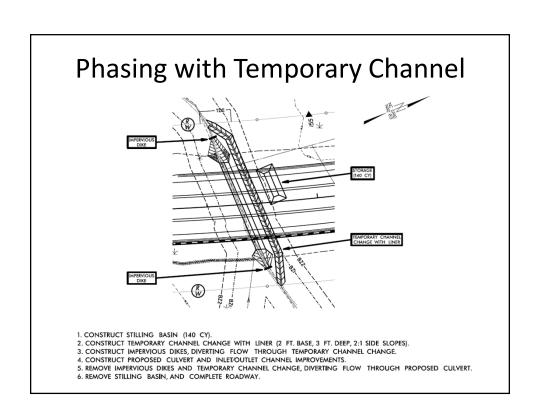




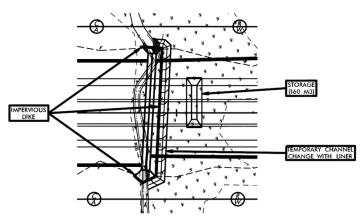
Phasing with Temporary Channel

- Include Permit Impacts for Channel Tie-Ins
- Design/Build with Room to Install Wing Walls
- Include Channel Dimensions:
 - Base Width
 - Channel Depth
 - Side Slope Info





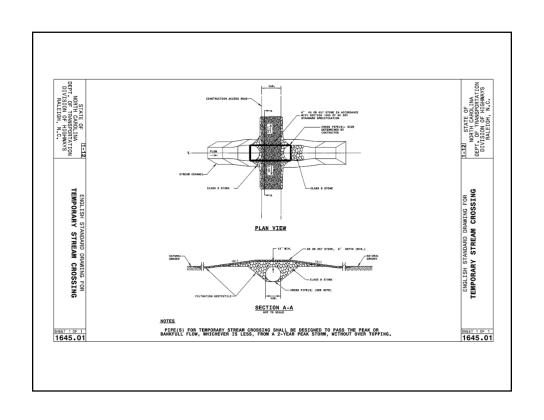




- 1. CONSTRUCT STILLING BASIN (160 M3).
 2. CONSTRUCT IMPERVIOUS DIKE AND TEMPORARY CHANNEL CHANGE WITH LINER (2.5M BASE, 1M DEEP, 2:1 SIDE SLOPE), DIVERTING FLOW.
 3. CONSTRUCT PROPOSED CULVERT.
 4. REMOVE IMPERVIOUS DIKE AND TEMPORARY CHANNEL CHANGE, ALLOWING FLOW THROUGH CULVERT.
 5. COMPLETE ANY NECESSARY INLET/OUTLET CHANNEL IMPROVEMENTS.
 6. REMOVE STILLING BASIN.
 7. COMPLETE ROADWAY.

Temporary Stream Crossing Design & Construction

- Design to Carry 2-yr Storm
- More than One Pipe can be Used
- Install Geotextile (Type 2) under Pipe(s) and Stone
- Use Class B and No. 57 Stone





Stabilization for Culverts

- Seed and Mat in Timely Manner
- Mat Slopes (Straw, Excelsior, Permanent)
- Place Coir Fiber Mat on Stream Banks at Inlet
- Protect Seeded Area with Temporary EC Devices

Stabilized Slopes

Enhancements for Stilling Basins

- Coir Fiber Baffles
- Pumping Water from Top of Basin Water
- Permanent Pool
- Flocculants

Flocculant Incorporation



Flocculant Incorporation



Considerations for Culvert Phasing

- Develop in Conjunction with EC Plan
- Culvert Phasing a Recommendation and Dependent on:
 - Contractor
 - Site Conditions
- Include Details in Construction Sequence

NCDOT Web Site Links

- REU Soil & Water Engineering Section http://www.ncdot.org/doh/operations/dp_chief_eng/roadside/soil_water/
- NCDOT BMP Manual

http://www.ncdot.org/doh/operations/BMP manual/

• NCDOT Hydraulics Unit http://www.ncdot.org/doh/preconstruct/highway/hydro/

Questions?

